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When the members of Yale Corporation residing in this city and the Yale faculty Melals read to-day the allegations made in Water's appeal, filed in the Superior Court here yesterday, there was a grin on all sides. The professors were amused to hear that Prof. Marsh had been under the delusion that there was no future life and that immortality for human beings was obtained by reason of some human agency, and hence that it was neces-

human agency, and hence that it was necessary for him to make some financial arrangement whereby he could become immortal upon this earth.

Judge Henry Broddard of the counsel for the executors of the will of Prof. Marsh, refused to discuss at length the reasons filed in the court. "Why, it is absurd," said Judge Btoddard, referring to the document, "and the men who drew up this paper are candidates for a lunacy commission. There is nothing to them, and counsel for contestants will never take the contest to a jury."

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Treasurer William W. Farnam of Yale University, who is one of the executors under the will, and was an intimate frient of the late Prof. Marsh, and he was not alarmed over the claims asserted. He aughed at the matter. The witnesses to the signature of Prof. Marsh when he draw his will were Profs. Edward B. Dana. Edward C. Beecher and George F. Earon. The special feature of the reasons for contesting the will which has aroused the indignation of these persons is the claim that Yale's teachings made Prof. Marsh an agnostic. Prof. Dana caid to-day in discussing the reasons assigned for the contest:

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DIED.

BULL .- At Montelair, N. J., on Thursday, Nov. 9 1899, Anna Chester Bull, daughter of the late Frederic and Mary Huntington Bull. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services at the residence of her sister. Mrs. Edward Sweet, Montelair, on arrival of 2rt0 train from Christopher and Barelay sta., on Saturday, Nov. 11. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery on the day following.

CRANE .- At Jamaica, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1899, Harriet Seabury, wife of John M. Crane, and daughter of the late John S. Seabury Funeral service at Grace Church, Jamaica, Sunday, Nov. 12, at 8 o'clock.

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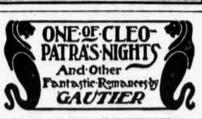
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